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## Flowers of Speech.

"Your father and mother from the farm. It shall be the first that shall bear my name; when you are gone, we are gone."

A fortnight after Marion Clements ate her breakfast alone, the traces of a tear so glistened in her eyes that her mother, Happy Nelly's sunny smile, and the sound of her gay laugh, could not always keep away a merry, joyous laugh.

"This will never do, and now, that George has gone, I have no one to care for him on his return. And I pray heaven that it shall be such a coming as shall delight his soul."

"I am sure I don't know what to say. The Lord knows I need help bad enough; but it is good to me that such a slender link still binds us together, and keeps your soul. Wind him up, and say your name."

Marie Smith. And, indeed, if I will try me to the uttermost, I will be able to keep him still."

Mrs. Clements' words of the "Wistful at those flowers" that were piling gloriously in the bed-room, and then the wind gave a great whirling shriek around the corners of the house.

"You can eat, and you're a shake feather bed—good big case, forty pounds!"

A little light laugh came from Mary's lips.

"Indeed I can. I may not cook to suit you, but I can eat."

The old woman had put the huge open pie in the kitchen, where the deacon was shalling.

"Mrs. Clements, what's the weather?"

"The weather? Well, there's a wind, and then the wind gives a great whirling shriek around the corners of the house."

"They'll catch you, there's the white one now, the pink, and last the red."

"I am sure I don't know what to say."

"I think, your cheek confounds me."

What's a bird that knows how to sing?"

Yours is not the white, I think."

Touched by love—is yours the pink?"

Quitting lips, and dropping head,

Presty quoth your heart's the red."

Day! our twin hearts entwined

On a life's affection's road;

Mad! produce some happy troubly

So our lips long living meet,

Lip! we slept at our feet!

**MRS. CLEMENTS' HELP.**

"Oh all things like in the world! If I were in my life exposed to hear such news! D'ye hear our George has gone and got married! D'ye hear!"

Good Mrs. Clements pushed her steel-bladed spectacles off her bright eyes, and dropped her letters in her lap, as she turned round to her husband, who was leaning over the furnace, who was contentedly smoking an old white cat."

"D'ye hear, d'ye hear?"

This time when she asked the question there was a touch of sadness in her voice.

"Well, I am sure I am not the only natural enough. It kind o' runs in the family, peers to me."

But Mrs. Clements pushed up no notice of the little George.

"Well, if you like it, I can tell you I don't."

He didn't think he was coming back with her, but he said all the same good-byes and jounces and runts. There's plenty of good girl here that wanted him. Right in the middle of the room, he was taking a lady here in his boy's little bit. I do, I do, I do, I think George is in love with her!"

A graceful, dainty little lady, in a garnet comb, a ruff'd sash, with a small, prissy poise. Head, nose, with short hair, a pair of eyes a dog's eye, a mouth so wistful and tender, a tiny rosebud of a mouth, and a dimple in each pink cheek.

Then followed directions to the west parson and wife, went good Mrs. Clements to her husband, and he and his wife, Adeline, again, signs of our lady Queen, Queen of Days!

(Signed) A. J. Tayler, of the Jury.

Clark Brown, the prisoner, is to be taken down on the morning train east to Cornwall on Friday.

**LAKE ONTARIO DISASTER.**

**Yacht Sunk in Henderson Bay and Seven Persons Drowned.**

SACHER'S HANSON, New York.—A sailing yacht West Wind came to grief in the lake on Saturday evening, and seven persons were drowned in true housewife manner, says now Mary and Mrs. Clements were sitting in their drawing-room, patching and mending.

"I don't know what I'm going to do without you. I dread to see you pick up your clothes."

A blushing pleasure overspread Mary's face.

"I am so glad you have been saved with my work. Indeed I have tried."

"I am not the work altogether, though, good goodness sake, I did get you to save this many a day. As I say, it isn't the work, it's you Mary—me, and Nelson Westcott (brother), Edw. Benjamin, Mr. and Mrs. George Tayler, Mrs. Barney and Edward Tayor. Five of the people leave the boat. The wind was very strong and the boat and heavy ballast, causing her to sink with her."

In the bright little parlor, close beside the lace-covered window, watching for the loved husband's return; and then when the click of the latch key in the hall, for the first time, told her he was home, she asked:

"Haven't you the letter this time, George? I've got it all of us. Indeed, I've quite decided what dresses to take with me."

He smiled and shook his head. A cloud passed over her pretty face.

"Oh, George! Isn't it too bad? And I think you're right, because they are sorry you married me."

He put his arm around her neck.

"And I suppose such to be the case, do you think we would make any difference with me?"

"Oh, no, no! Only it would give me so much trouble to find your own parents from you."

"And a one-sided marriage it would be, and a one-sided marriage it would be, but they'd say you can't help loving you!"

"Oh, George."

The pain was caused by the kiss accompanying his own laughter.

"That's true as preaching. By-the-by, my dear, I've got the first seat in the front of a car on a ten-cent ticket for six weeks to come."

A little dimpled eye answered him.

"You won't stay alone, eh? But, if I am, it would be \$500 clear gain to me."

A mischievous smile played over the young man's lips; he was more matter-of-fact than romantic, tender little wife of his.

I think he would be very considerate for his absence. But never mind, little pet. Let's go to dinner. I hope well get a little food from the hotel."

As soon as it was for Marion snatched it from his pocket the very next night. But when she placed the note over the tea saucer, and laid eyes on it, she gasped, her glisting over the envelope.

"My dear, you must remember I can very little write, but that you are dear to me than ever before. Kiss me, first, while I kiss you."

A lit'le pang of mischief troubled her when she placed over the note; then tears staled from her eyes, and her hand trembled; then when she finished it, she laid her head upon his shoulder.

"It was cruel to let you, my wounded bird. Let me burn it. And don't forget, darling, when you get home, to write again, when I shall leave father and mother, and leave to you, too, if I would let me."

"We will write to you when we get home."

"I am so afraid you will never love me, so I came determined to win you back."

"Yes, I am, but I have found a girl, Mrs. Davis, who is my precious with Marion, and a better person for all the happiness my life will yet hold."

He dried her tears, and then they talked over.

"Just because I am only bird she thinks I am lazy, and haughty, and safty, and—"

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## HOME MATTERS.

PERSONAL.—Messrs. Ira Williams, R. P. Fidlar, Thos. McKe, Jesse Burlow and John Conley left the first of the week for Toronto.

VANDALISM IN SIDNEY.—On the night of the 4th inst., a house of ill-fame in Sidney was attacked by a gang of rowdies, and almost leveled to the ground.

CHOICE FRUIT.—Mr. Peter Charlton has shown us some samples of choice fruit grown in his garden. Three plums, known as the yellow egg variety, weighed seven ounces.

LEAVING.—Mr. Geo. Blundell, of the sixteenth concession of Marmora, sells his effects by auction on the 1st inst., and intends to remove to Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Monday last a sixteen-year-old son of Samuel Kennedy, Belleville, was gathering hickory-nuts, when he fell from a tree and broke his neck. Death resulted instantaneously.

ARM BROKEN.—On Wednesday last a son of Mr. D. McGee, living on the Ridge road, fell from a tree at school and broke his right arm. He was brought to the village and the fracture repaired.

OUR TERMS.—Subscribers will please bear in mind that the subscription price of THE NEWS-ARGUS is \$1.50 per annum. Those paying in advance only will receive it at a discount of 25¢ from that figure.

LEO BROKEN.—On Wednesday, the 3rd inst., a son of Widow Gauley, living in the 10th concession of Rawdon, received a kick from a horse on the shin, just below the knee, breaking the leg at that spot. Dr. Sprague set the broken limb, and the lad is doing well.

RAWDON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The directors of this society met on Wednesday last, and decided to hold the fall show on Wednesday the 5th prox. The judges for the different classes were also appointed. The prizes will be distributed next week.

A SUNDAY SIGHT.—On a recent Sunday a farmer's wagon was seen driving out of the village which contained a plough, fully expectant to the view of church-goers. Query: Was the driver aware what day of the week it was? or was it a matter of indifference to him?

ATTENDED BURGLARY.—Our morning last week it was discovered that during the night some person or persons had been trying to effect an entrance to Mr. F. B. Parker's grid-mist. The door had been tampered with, but the miscreants failed in accomplishing their purpose.

A LOW RATE OF ASSESSMENT.—The tax-payers of Murray are a favored people, indeed, their taxes this year only amounting to the nominal sum of half a cent on the dollar. This speaks either of a prosperous and fortunate community, or of very much needed and neglected internal improvements.

AN ATTRACTIVE PURCHASE.—An archie carrying a loaf of bread on Front street the other day met a cur, which set up a vigorous barking. Breaking off a piece of the loaf, he threw it to the dog, which ate it and renewed his yelping, but with somewhat abated zeal. Such ingratia- tude caused the generousurch to repeat of his generosity, delecting it lost on such an "ungrateful pup."

NO BANK AT CAMPBELLDIFF.—It is currently reported that the business men of Campbellford have been agitating to secure the location in that village of a branch bank, but failed in taking up the amount of stock necessary to that end. If the people of Campbellford feel as much need of bank accommodations as those of Stirling, it is a pity they cannot accomplish their wishes.

AN EXTENSIVE PRESCRIPTION.—One of our village medicines—of which, by the way, Stirling has a goodly supply for a reputed healthy community—saw a lad eating an apple that was more green than wholeness for tender years, and addressed him thus: "Yo go into the store and tell 'em to give you a dose of castor oil to mix with that apple." Young Canada, however, could not see the beauty of the idea, and continued musing the green fruit with evident satisfaction.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.—Tuesday evening of last week, being the first Tuesday in the month, was the time for the regular meeting of the Stirling board of education, but as a quorum was not present no meeting was held. This board consists of six common and six high school trustees, a though the high school is not at present in operation. The following are the members of the board: High school—Dr. Bouler, Dr. Faulkner, Messrs. F. P. Parker, Jas. Milne, L. G. Baker and Amson Wright; public school—Messrs. A. Chard (chairman), Ira Williams (treasurer), Dr. Parker, Jas. Boldrick, Wm. Martin and Uriel Wright. Mr. R. Finch is secretary of the board. The section is an union, and consists of Stirling and parts of the townships of Rawdon and Sidney.

THE DATE.—Owing to a misunderstanding, more easily comprehended by us than explained to our readers, the date on the first page of this issue is set a week ahead. The date on the second page is, of course, the correct one.

FRATERNAL COURTESY.—Our thanks are due to the proprietors of the Trenton "Courier," Hastings "Star" and "North Hastings Review" for sending exchanges of their papers three weeks in advance of our publication, on receipt of copies of our prospectus.

VILLAGE COUNCIL.—On Saturday last an adjourned meeting of the village council was held, at which no business whatever was transacted except the striking of the rate of assessment, which was fixed at 15 mills on the dollar, and the passing of a resolution to build a small house for Mrs. Cotter, the widow woman who was buried out at the recent fire.

TAKE A LESSON.—If the villagers wish to avoid fire in coming seasons, let them take a lesson from the past, when there is a great deal of experience, and in future see to it that walls are clean and pure, and not simply reserved for the reception of all the filth that may accumulate about the premises; that sleeping apartments are well ventilated; that no water is allowed to stand in cesspits; warm weather, and that all the laws of hygiene are properly observed.

MORE ENTERPRISE.—Mr. Sutherland, of the public school, has taken upon himself the extra labor of conducting a class of candidates for third-class teacher's certificates. This is really high school work, but Mr. S. seems bound that Stirling shall not suffer the whole amount of having its high school closed. He who has candidates desiring to take the prescribed course to assemble in the senior department on Monday next for classification, assignment of work, etc.

FOX & WARD'S BURLESQUE.—This troupe advertised to perform in McWilliams' hall on Tuesday evening last, but the agent on reaching Campbellford was told of the "plague" that existed in Stirling, when he cancelled the date here and advertised that place instead. He was given to understand that to play in Stirling would be "sure death" to the company. The troupe arrived on Tuesday morning from Madoc, where they had been told the "black fever" wasraging here; they breakfasted at the Stirling house, and then passed on to Campbellford, forgetting to pay their printer's bill.

THE GRAND JUNCTION.—A meeting of the directors of this road will be held at Belleville on Monday next at 2 p.m. The meeting is called for the transaction of general business, but it is supposed the question of opening the road for traffic will be brought up. Hopes are held out that this may be brought to pass without any further great delay. A telegram to the "Mail" on the subject, dated the 10th inst., says: "The proprietors of the Grand Junction and North Hastings railways have made arrangements with the Grand Trunk to operate those roads throughout for one year, the proprietors putting the roads in order, bearing all risks as to bridges and embankments and the Grand Trunk taking the whole receipts and expending a small portion on repairs.

INFANTICIDE.—The Trenton "Courier" should not commence, at this late date of its existence, to smother the infests of the press—slush before they are brought into existence—as it is done with the name of our paper. In noticing the advent of the "Trenton News-Argus," the "Courier" leaves out the double name, and later advises the editor to "clip his wings by dropping either 'News' or 'Argus'." Our coveniently does not see that such a process would rob the name at once of both its meaning and melody. The joining of names is quite allowable in newspaperdom, and we have the best of precedent for so doing. But then, some people are born to blunder. Stick to the bylines, brother.

TRUE TEACHING.—Mr. Sutherland, principal of the Stirling public school, deserves any amount of credit for the tasteful manner in which he has cleaned up and laid out the grounds in front of the school building. The grass has been cut and removed; several vases of a more or less rustic appearance placed in the enclosure, each one surrounded by a very attractive circle of bright blue stones; a fence put up dividing the front grounds from the play grounds; a trapore erected, and several other improvements made. The borders of the grounds, too, have been attended to, and the whole presents from the street an appearance at once pleasing and suggestive. This is a step in the right direction, as too much attention cannot be paid to a cultivation of a love of the beautiful, which it is peculiarly appropriate should be taught in connection with our public schools, the duly course of which is by too many regarded as a round of unbearable toil. Mr. Sutherland was assisted in the work by the boys of the school. The vases were supplied at his own expense, the board of education providing the rest of the material.

## STIRLING'S FIRES.

Within the last ten weeks, Stirling has been visited by the devouring element, fire, no less than three separate times. As the last one was some three weeks ago, we will do no more at present than notice merely the facts and figures of each case.

THE MILL STREET FIRE.

The brick building on Mill street,

destroying the five buildings be-

tween the Stirling house and H. G. Thurber's

store. The brick, next to the hotel, was

owned and occupied by Craig & Bros.

John Jones was a valuable friend among

the owners by whom the building was

occupied by D. White; the latter gentleman

saved none of his goods, but his loss was

fully covered by insurance; no insurance on

the building, which was

entirely destroyed.

The brick building was worth \$2,000.

The brick building was worth \$4,000;

the frame in the Royal for \$900.

The frame was insured for \$1,000, and the building

was owned by Mr. D. MacKenzie, and was

insured by Dr. W. D. MacKenzie, and was

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## The Two Endorsers.

Over the deep sea Love came flying,  
Over the land Love came singing;  
Alas, for thy journeying wings!  
Through the world Love comes winging,  
When one wave lifts and one falls under,  
Love comes in a bird like straight for warn-  
ings.

Love reached the Northland, and found his own:  
With a pale red rose, and a white wreath,  
And would have given them her breath.  
His voice was sweetest & most winsome,  
Gentle as the lark, & the thrush & swells,  
And falls & lingers in mysterious death.

His birds divided the tangled boughs,  
With hinds and sunbeams faltering.

One note of wind to each leaf light!

Love's song was like the first spring—  
Sweet as the rose, is, and died as the dew.

Over the deep sea Death came silent;

Over the salt seas Death came swift;

With a dark cloud over his wings,

Felt the blight of these seas over her.

And wept for a sound of disastrous things.

Death reached the Northland, and claimed his

With pale sweet flowers by wet winds blow.

His voice was soft as the wind that sighs!

Wind & dead leaves drift on the paths be-  
neath.

His birds divided the tangled boughs;

One love he bears to a dark death.

Where new a bridge from may class his

A place of silence, of dust, and sleep,

What night of longing the lips divide?

—Harper's Magazine for October.

**RESET BY BUSHRANGERS.**

Surveying and exploring a new district in

Queensland is a matter of some hazard and

danger, and it is not safe to be alone or

over, where we have finished our

"damer," sail fast and loose, and are smoking

our pipes, and are told that a strange story is told to us. My men are old hands, and up to a thing or two, especially My Chinese.

He is a harum scarum, reckless, handsome,

Goliath of very respectable family, induced to emigrate many years ago as a boy to Australia.

New South Wales and Queensland in all were his home, and he had been in his element ever since he came to Australia.

About a hundred miles from Sydney he

had found some country in a public house, and was about to order another beer, when a bushranger burst in.

The barman was a wild, crazy fellow,

and was a great fight.

My Chinese was the hostess eagerly ex-  
claimed:

"We are not one of them, are you?"

"Och, is the Bushrangers I mane. You  
aren't one of them?"

"I am not one of them, have you heard?"

"Yes! half an hour ago, and cleared my  
house of all I had."

"Widly's curse upon me!"

"Have they gone down the road, or struck  
right into the bush?"

"They've run the road, to stick up all they  
can with."

"How many?"

"Three."

"Well, my Chinese must go down to Sydney."

He could not take the bush for it, as he did not know the country well enough.

He had to wait until the next day, and was lucky, either by the aid of sign or other means.

He was dressed, of course, in the uniform of a bushranger, and they might spare him on the wild Scotch roads.

"Hawks fly not o'er hawk's nests."

Besides, he was a ten-pence man, and it

would not break his heart to lose his overcoat and half-crown.

On the whole, he saw nothing for it but to return his journey, and to get a place for the bank-note, and thrust the note in his pocket.

For the last two hours he had rapidly on for half an hour without seeing the rangers; however, he distinctly saw the fresh tracks of a horse, and the rider, as he thought. At about ten in the road he was covered by three revolvers and addressed by three voices:

"Diamond!"

"No help for it. He got off his horse, and took to his heels, and ran away."

"One was a very art-natured looking fellow, the other seemed rather backward; the third was an inimitable ruffian."

"What's your name, Jim?" said the ruffian.

"I'm just coming from the Wansorial Diner."

"How much money have you got?"

"One half sovereign and one half crown."

"That is all?"

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The village of Stirling is an important factor in one of the finest agricultural sections of the Dominion, and while THE NEWS-ARGUS will issue from there, it will at the same time record the local proceedings of all parts of the county of Hastings, and will give the items of interest to them as they occur throughout the two ridings. To this end a corps of regular correspondents will be established at the different points at as early a date as possible, who will forward the news of their several particular localities just previous to going to press each week; besides which a more general summary of the news of the district will be carefully compiled from the columns of local exchanges.

The paper will be open to correspondence on all legitimate subjects, which must be discussed in a proper spirit, no personalities employed, and the real name of the author of any letter must be made known to the editor as a guarantee of good faith, and as a measure of protection. This rule is imperative in all cases.

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The paper being only weekly, and strictly local in its nature, special attention will be given to home news; and while a synopsis of Canadian and foreign news will be given, it will not assume to be—what no country weekly can possibly be—a newspaper in the widest and provincial sense of the term. Believing that a local paper should make a specialty of local affairs, we will leave the city dailies their own functions to perform in giving minute detail the passing events of the great world at large.

Owing to the central nature of the place of publication, there being no other paper published within a radius of sixteen miles, and the consequent large subscription list that may be expected, THE NEWS-ARGUS will be a valuable medium through which advertisers, both home and foreign, may reach their customers, or find new ones among the intelligent and well-to-do farming population of the central and northern parts of the county of Hastings.

For yearly contracts of one-fourth column, or any less space down to two inches, 9 cents per inch each insertion; one-half column, or any less space down to one-fourth column, 8 cents per inch each insertion; whole column, or any less space down to one-half column, 1 cent per inch each insertion (a column measures 22 inches), two inches, \$10 per year; one inch, \$6 per year; business cards, limited to six lines of nonpareil, or one-half inch, \$4 per year. An increase of one cent per insertion will be charged on advertisements inserted in six months, and a further increase of one cent per inch on those inserted for only three months. The foregoing apply only to contracts or standing business advertisements.

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It is with no hesitation that we launch our bark on the troubled sea of journalism, and with a bold heart we venture, the probabilities carefully weighed, and the wants of the community considered from every standpoint; we know from experience our ability to produce a paper pleasing to the popular taste, and at the same time, which will be of a moral or vicious tendency; and it is our fixed determination to deserve success by standing firm at the helm, leaving the verdict in the hands of those on whom we depend for our support without which we can succeed.

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whom by the way, were strikingly pretty—presented the marquis and the princess, the marquis, and Lord Macaulay. The prince revealed the tender impulses of her own heart by giving each of them a kiss. Mayor Robertson then stepped forward and presented the following address:

May it please your excellency—The citizens of Belleville, through their mayor and aldermen, gladly embrace the opportunity in this official recognition of their city in giving you a hearty welcome. Your excellency has given us the highest felicity as well as by the whole dominion of this country. Your excellency is the most gracious majesty the queen was pleased to bestow upon us. They have given you a position now more honorable than any you have held before. They have given you a position now more honorable than any you have held before. They have given you a position now more honorable than any you have held before. They have given you a position now more honorable than any you have held before.

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... We will be happy to receive at all times, by mail, or otherwise, intelligence of incidents of local interest, or of any accident, fire, or other news, public or private, deaths, marriages, etc., for publication in those columns.

#### HOME MATTERS.

**RETIREMENT.**—A young man's Christian life has been sacrificed in Campbellfield. The "Review" is responsible for the statement that their first great work was to "go" for the "Herald" man for starting such malicious rumors about the fever at Stirling.

**DUCK SHOOTING.**—We are informed by our own sportmen, Mr. Baldwin, that duck shooting on lake Belmont is very fair just now, he having visited the place a few days ago with a friend. They had some good sport, but report the birds very wild.

**THE FEVER.**—That plague in Stirring that all the surrounding papers and people fed on so long—typified, yellow fever, black fever, etc.—has almost entirely disappeared. A few isolated cases of malarial fever are still spoken of as existing around the country, but the cool weather is making it seldom.

**PROTECTION ON ITS MERITS.**—On Thursday (yesterday) evening, seventeen loads of huge cedar timbers arrived in Stirring from the north, being destined for Mr. Graham's foundry, to be used for the construction of a breaker in the rear of the building, to save it from the freshets that occur on Stirring's raging stream each spring. If there is anything in "protection," Mr. Graham means to enjoy it.

**HORSE TRAINING.**—Dr. Demarest is possessed of a horse which a short time ago would not allow an umbrella to be used in a vehicle behind it, nor the driver even to raise his hat from his head, without expressions of disapprobation most dangerous to both the vehicle and its occupants. The doctor took the matter in hand, and after a short course of intelligent training the animal would permit of an umbrella being carried on its head, flanks, underneath it, or in any manner, without the slightest symptom of alarm.

**AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.**—The agricultural shows of this section take place as follows:—East Hastings—At Thrasher's Corners, October 15; North Hastings—Lake's October 9; Dungannon and Faraday—Amable, October 1; Tyendinaga—Shannonville, October 9; Prince Edward—Picton, September 30; central Peterborough, September 30 and October 1 and 2; midland central—Kingston, October 1, 2, 3 & 4; Lessona—Napanee, October 7 and 8; East Peterborough—Norwood, October 14 and 15; Tudor, Wellaston, Limerick and Cashel—Milibridge, October 8; Rawdon—Stirling, October 8; Murray—Wooler, Oct. 15.

**PRACTICAL KINDNESS.**—Never was the scriptural injunction "Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you" carried out more strictly to the letter than was done on the farm of Mr. Jas. Lafferty, in the Nine settlement, Rawdon, on Wednesday last. Mr. Lafferty has been for some time confined to his bed with dropsy, being under medical care. Meantime the season was fitting away, his farm work remaining undone. Observing this, his neighbors and friends, some even from quite a distance, upwards of thirty miles, gathered on the day mentioned, with their teams and ploughs, to help Mr. Lafferty's fall ploughing. The man who can so command the esteem and affection of his fellow-men occupies an enviable position in society.

**MAGISTRATES' COURT.**—Monday last Leeman Thompson, of the township of Sidney, was arraigned before Geo. E. Bull and John S. Hagerman, justices of the peace, the charge being the serious one of interfering with the bailiff of the fifth division court in the discharge of his duty, the information being laid by the bailiff himself, Mr. Chas. Butler. The evidence brought out the fact that the bailiff had an execution against the goods and chattels of Thompson, and on the morning of that day had gone to Thompson's and told him his business, and that his instructions were to seize and take in execution everything on the premises liable to seizure under execution for debt. Thompson at once told the bailiff that if he attempted to make a seizure, he would "pat a hole through him." Thompson then went into the house, and immediately returned armed with a hand-axe, which he made quite a show of, threatening to split the bailiff's head open if he meddled with his property. The magistrates, after hearing the evidence, imposed a fine of \$10, which with \$5.20 for costs, was ordered to be paid forthwith, or twenty days in gaol. Yesterday (Thursday) a similar case was heard before Justices Bull, Chard and Wright, the culprit this time being Thomas McMueller, and Bailiff Butler again the complainant. The charge was established, and a fine of \$6 inflicted, which the costs increased to \$17.99, to be paid forthwith or thirty days in gaol. These two cases may well be a warning to all with whom a division court bailiff may have business that he is not to be molested while in the discharge of his duty.

**WHO CAN BEAT IT?**—Mr. Turner Sines has left in THE NEWS-AGENTS office a stalk of millet, or Hungarian grass, measuring five feet ten inches in height. Next!

**PERSONAL.**—We had a call on Friday last from Mr. Shepard, of the "Intelligencer," who was on a trip in connection with the county of Hastings directory, being published by that company.

**TAKE NOTICE.**—All notes and accounts of Charles Craigie and Charles Craigie & Brother that are due, or past due, must be paid at once or they will be placed in court for collection, without any reserve or further notice. CHARLES CRAIGIE—Stirling 24th Sept. 1879.

**THIS EVENING.**—Do not forget to attend the examinations to be held in the public school grounds and building. Mr. Sutherland has been indefatigably working for the past week, and a right enjoyable time is the certain prospect of all who attend. Only ten cents admission.

**CHILD BURN.**—Yesterday (Thursday), as Mrs. John Kemp, living in the 9th concession of Rawdon, was temporarily absent from the house, her little six-year-old daughter commenced carrying leaves in the stove, and in some way set her clothes on fire. She was very severely burned about the waist and shoulders before the fire could be extinguished. Medical aid was at once summoned, but the child lies in a suf- fering state.

**CRICKET.**—A cricket match was played at Belleville on Friday last, between the Stirring and Belleville clubs. The weather being very fine, and the ground being in good condition, the contestants seemed to enjoy the game very much. Belleville going to the bat about half-past ten a.m., the game was opened up by an over from Conley bowled in splen-did style, and, being caught by Allen made the wickets tumble in a lively manner. Belleville retired from the field after nearly thirty-eight runs, Stirring then going in to the bowling of Messrs. Thomas and Maybee, and running up a score of thirty, leaving Belleville eight runs ahead on the first innings. The elated then thought it was time to—*not* liquor, but—*sandwich*—up, and after lunch Belleville once more resumed the willows to the bowling of Bonnyeastle and Conley, and after a splendid innings the last stump went down for 121 runs, Maybee contributing twenty-nine. The Stirring team were assisted by Messrs. Bonnyeastle, Denmark and Narcarow, of the Campbellford club. One marked feature of the game was the splendid wicket keeping of A. W. C. Bruce, of the Stirring club. Belleville cricketers are well up with the best, good fielders and good bowlers. The Stirring club has good bowlers, and a very nice field, but are rather weak with the bat, requiring practice. The match at Stirling was the last this season for the Stirring club. The following are the scores:

1st INNING—BELLEVILLE.  
Maybee, c. Allen, b. Conley  
Drinkwater, run out  
Thomas, b. and c. Allen  
Corby, c. Allen, b. Conley  
Clark, b. Bonnyeastle  
Conley, b. Bonnyeastle  
Jellett, b. Conley  
Kehoe, b. Conley  
Reeves, b. Conley  
Woods, b. and c. Conley  
  
Byes 3, leg byes 1, wides 3  
  
STIRLING.  
Witcher, b. Maybee  
P. Conley, b. Thomas  
Deanark, b. Maybee  
Thomas, b. and c. Thomas  
Lagow, b. Thomas  
Bruce, c. Jenkins, b. Maybee  
Chard, not out  
Narcarow, b. Thomas  
Anderson, i. b. w.  
G. Conley, c. Clarke  
  
Byes 1, wides 1  
  
2nd INNING—BELLEVILLE.  
Drinkwater, c. Conley, b. Bonnyeastle  
Wood, b. Conley  
Thomas, c. Lagow, b. Conley  
Maybee, not out  
Jenkins, b. Conley  
Howe, b. Conley  
Clarke, b. Bonnyeastle  
Bruce, c. Jenkins, b. Allan  
Allen, b. Maybee  
Chard, not out  
Narcarow, b. Thomas  
Anderson, i. b. w.  
G. Conley, c. Clarke  
  
Byes 2, leg byes 2, wides 6  
  
STIRLING.  
Witcher, b. Maybee  
Anderson, b. Thomas, c. Jenkins  
Deanark, b. Maybee  
Thomas, b. and c. Thomas  
Lagow, b. Thomas  
Bruce, b. Thomas  
Reeves, b. Bonnyeastle  
Jellett, b. Conley  
Kehoe, b. Bonnyeastle  
  
Byes 1, leg byes 1, wides 6

#### WELCOME NEWS FOR MILLIONS.

"Where are you going?" said a friend to me.  
"Why, I'm going to Boldric's new goods to see—  
To choose a suit, and pay him the cash,  
For he never deals any but the best."  
"Somebody or other will want a suit of make  
This summer, and I'll give it to you for free;  
All goes lovely—I'm happy and well;  
And his cloth looks so fresh you can easily tell  
A man on the street—he wears a suit and tie,  
And his clothes look like a million dollars to me.  
And a general stock from which to choose.  
Go and see Boldric's overcoat."

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A DISHONEST CANINE.—A medium-sized dog was trotting up street not long since with a bone just captured in his mouth, when a large one came along and deliberately wrested the bone from his possession. Such highway robbery should be put down by the strong arm of the law.

POOR STIRRING.—It is not enough that Stirring and other places should suffer the embarrassment of having a railroad but receiving no benefits from it, but the contractor has had the assurance to intimate, through the press, that a further sum of \$500 will be required from this village to rebuild the burnt depot, otherwise no platform will be erected. That is almost cool enough to tax for 1879.

MESSRS. BRITTON & BRO., of this village, will exhibit six light rigs and one lumber wagon at the dominion exhibition to be held in Ottawa next week.

WE UNDERSTAND.—Mr. Duff has completed his arrangements to work "The Craig" gold mine, situated in the township of Tudor. The vein on the surface shows from 6 to 10 feet wide for over 600 feet. So well pleased was he with some tests made by hand that he built a road to the mine nearly two miles in length and drew six tons of quartz about sixteen miles to the "Gladstone" crusher at Malone, the returns from which were so satisfactory that he immediately arranged with the Messrs. Brown, of Belleville, to put the crushing mill at Bannockburn in complete working order, with the intention of commencing crushing the quartz there by the first of January next.

N. D. Peters has removed his place of business to the O'Flynn block.

WORK was commenced this week on the improvements and new sidewalks ordered at the last meeting of council. That leading to the station has been widened one or two planks.

Mr. Thomas Cross is about to engage in business again, one of the large stores in the Victoria block being now fitted for that purpose.

Mr. Joseph Shaltry, of this village, on Monday commenced the running of a regular stage between Madoc and Bridge-water, leaving the latter place at 5.30 a.m., connecting with the train for Belleville at that station, and leaving again for Bridgewater on the arrival of the train in the evening.

MAINTENANCE OF TRAILS.

E. Bennett is building a splendid store, storing and graining.

On the evening of the 5th inst., between six and seven o'clock, the residence of H. Z. Cassell was entered by some unknown person, two trunks and a safe-box being broken open, but as they did not contain any money the thief departed without taking anything, he being on the "cash system" evidently.

Mr. Cassell is unfortunate in this respect, being the third victim of former robbers causing him considerable loss.

It is rumored that the Victoria railway company contemplate extending their line eastward through here, provided the municipalities give sufficient guarantees.

From the Trenton Courier.

The "Eagle" positively denies the rumors concerning the existence of small-pox in the neighborhood of Brightwood.

The "Picton" says:

"Dear Sirs—Allow me,

"to present my respects to you,

"and to inform you,

"of this party on this and many other occasions,

"and that you may long live as it is the

"ardent wish of every man there."

Signed, as before, D. Wootton.

Mr. Gurnsey, who was quite unprepared for any such event, expressed his gratitude at receiving so valuable and suggestive a token of the good-will of his fellow-men, and assured them of his reciprocation of the feeling.

District Happenings.

From the Hastings Star.

On the 10th a little daughter of Mr. H. Fowles fell through a broken part of the railing of the bridge, near the factory, escaping with a few painful bruises.

On the 11th inst. a little grandson of Mr. James Fowles was riding a pony from the pasture field, when the animal stumbled, throwing the little fellow violently to the ground, inflicting some very painful bruises.

At Burnet's saw-mill on the 12th, while a son of Mr. John Gebbie, of Asphodel, was standing in front of his horses, they became frightened at some lumber with which the wagon was being loaded, and jumped forward, knocking the boy down, the wheels of the wagon passing over his stomach, causing paralysis of the bowels, from which he died on Monday.

A return game between an eleven of the Norwood juniors, and eleven of the Hastings juniors, was played in this village, on the 13th, resulting in a tie.

At the first innings the Norwoods scored 1, and the Hastings 51; second innings, Norwood, 49, Hastings 35.

From the North Hastings Review, 15th inst.

A number of villagers took advantage

of the running of a special train to Belgrave on Tuesday evening last to witness the "Kerry Gow" at the opera house in that city.

The township council held another meeting on Saturday last. A by-law was submitted to levy the sum of 1½ cents

per dollar.

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Aug. 27, 1879.

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BARBER.—HAIRDRESSING,

SHAVING, SHAMPOOING, ETC. CIGARS, Hair dress, perfume, etc. Mill street, third door from North, for sale. Mill street, third door from North, for sale.

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EXCELSIOR HOTEL, FORTY-EIGHT STREET, STIRLING.

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First-class work done in horse-shoeing, Particular attention given to the making of shoes.

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